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This photostated document, dated 22 April 1951 and compiled by the Ministry for Heavy Industry, Main Administration for Power, Communications Department, consists of the minutes of a conference, held on 16 March 1951 in Berlin, of communications experts for the power supply of the German Democratic Republic.

The first point discussed was the fulfillment of the tasks of the 1950 People's Economic Plan by the communications departments of the power districts. The funds placed at their disposal in 1950 for investments, minor projects, and major repairs amounted to 1,716 million Deutsche marks, and this plan was 97 percent fulfilled by all power districts. Detailed reports are given on the most important projects accomplished in 1950 by each of the communications departments of the various power districts, with breakdowns of the amounts and purposes of the funds utilized. For example, the projects completed in 1950 by [REDACTED] Power District Center included: a) three new high-frequency telephone systems were put into operation, and other high-frequency telephone communications were improved and repaired; b) instruments were procured for telemetric installations; c) communications systems were expanded and improved at various transformer stations, power plants, and main load dispatchers' offices. Total funds used for projects by Power District Center in 1950 were \$28,000 Deutsche marks.

The second point taken up involved the consequences for the communications departments of the reorganization of the GDR power districts. The organizational changes necessary for these departments, so that they can accomplish their assignments within the newly established power districts, are itemized and explained in detail.

The third point concerned the tasks of the communications departments for 1951, the first year of the Five-Year-Plan, the most important of which involve the procurement of material and the setting up of several new carrier-frequency connections. In addition, the dial-system and telephone exchange installations are to be improved and enlarged, and the quality of the existing telephone communications service is to be improved.

The fourth point referred to the control and registration of interzonal business telephone calls; the fifth point dealt with fees; and the sixth point concerned miscellaneous technical problems.

The seventh and last point taken up was the centralized dial-system and telephone exchange installations. A detailed technical discussion describes the dial codes, switch-board operation, and handling of incoming and outgoing calls on inside lines, inter-organizational tie lines, and outside lines, including such details as holding or transfer of calls, recalling the operator, night connections, etc.

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